

Task Force on Health and Human Services

Spring Task Force Summit

Savannah, GA

May 15, 2015

Draft Minutes for Approval

Introduction and Minutes

After the Task Force meeting was called to order, it approved the minutes from the 2014 States & Nation Policy Summit by unanimous voice vote of both sectors.

After approving the Minutes, the Task Force welcomed the new Private Sector Task Force Chair, John Schlatter.

Panel Discussion

First on the agenda, the Task force heard about the Opportunities and Challenges in Telemedicine from Latoya Thomas of the American Telemedicine Association, Michele Satterlund of McGuideWoods Consulting, and John Davidson from the Texas Public Policy Foundation.

Model Policy

The discussion then moved to consideration of various model policies. The Task Force first considered, and adopted, amendments to the Freedom to Purchase Medical Services Act. The Amendments passed both the public and private sectors in a voice vote.

It then considered, and postponed to the next meeting [Annual Meeting], sunset reviews for two policies: the Optional Medicaid benefits Evaluation Act and the Cord and Placenta Blood Banking and Research Act. The motion to postpone was approved by both the public and private sectors.

Presentations

The Task Force heard a number of informative presentations, discussing topics from Certificate-of-Needs Laws to Lessons from the Private Option.

Discussing the Certificate-of-Needs Laws and the implications of the laws on the states, was Matthew Mitchell from the Mercatus Center.

After Mr. Mitchell, the Task Force heard about Charity Care in Georgia from Eric Cochling. Mr. Cochling spoke on behalf of the Georgia Center for Opportunity.

Next the Task Force listened to a presentation discussing 529 ABLE Accounts. Mr. Ginny Sessions-Sellers from the National Down Syndrome Society led this discussion.

Lauren Rowley of the Association of Dental Support Organizations presented an Overview of Dental Support Organizations, followed by Joel Noble from the Alliance of Health Care Sharing Ministries who provided an update on Health Sharing.

Finally, the Task Force heard about Lessons from the Private Option. Senator Brian King from Arkansas discussed this topic.

Good of the Order and Adjournment

After nothing substantive was discussed for the good of the order, the Task Force adjourned at roughly 5:30PM.

Task Force on Task Force on Health and Human Services Meeting Agenda

Annual Meeting 2015 | San Diego, California
Friday, July 23, 2015
2:30 - 5:30 PM

Task force chairs: Senator Nancy Barto, Arizona, and Mr. John Schlatter, Takeda Pharmaceuticals

2:30 PM Call to Order

Welcome and Introductions
Approval of Minutes from the Spring Task Force Summit 2015
New member presentation – American College of Emergency Physicians

Presentations and Model Policy

2:45 PM Presentation: Innovators on the Health Policy Frontier
Bob Graboyes, Mercatus

3:05 PM Model policy review: Optional Medicaid Benefits Evaluation Act

3:15 PM Model policy review: Resolution on Cord and Placenta Blood Banking and Research

3:25 PM Presentation: Action for Dental Health: An Overview
Representative Denny Zent (IN); Representative Regina Cobb (AZ); Jeff Troupe, American Dental Association

3:45 PM Presentation: The Aftermath of King v. Burwell
Nina Owcharenko, Heritage, Haley Hickey, ALEC

4:05 PM Presentation: Free Speech Zones for Pharmaceuticals
Naomi Lopez-Baumen, Goldwater Institute

4:10 PM Presentation: Health Care Law and State Taxes
Representative Phil King (TX)

4:20 PM Presentation: Safe Families for Children: A Private Alternative to Government Foster Care, "It's For the Children. Really!"
Andrew C. Brown, Foundation for Government Accountability

4:35 PM	Model Policy Consideration: Resolution in the Tax and Fiscal Effects of Medicaid Expansion
4:50 PM	Good of the Order
5:00 PM	Adjournment

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